

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA**

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Civil Services Day
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has recently celebrated Civil Services Day in Delhi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the purpose and motive to celebrate the civil services day; and
- (d) the theme and agenda for the celebration and the further action plan proposed, if any?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office.
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(a): Yes, Madam.

(b) to (d): The Civil Services Day is organized on 21st April every year, when civil servants re-dedicate themselves to the cause of the citizens and renew their commitment to public service. This day coincides with the date on which Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel had addressed the first batch of probationers at the All India Administrative Service Training School at Metcalfe House, New Delhi in 1947. This year two day function was organised on 20-21 April, 2016, in which eight break away sessions on replication of PM awarded initiatives and four Priority Programmes namely 'PradhanMantri Jan DhanYojana', 'Swachh Bharat (Gramin)', 'SwachhVidyalaya' and 'Soil Health Card' were held.

The Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration are also given away on this day. This year, Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration were given to the 10 best performing Districts for implementing four identified Priority Programmes namely 'PradhanMantri Jan DhanYojana', 'Swachh Bharat (Gramin)', 'SwachhVidyalaya' and 'Soil Health Card' by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 21st April, 2016 (10th Civil Services Day).

The theme of the Conference was 'Transforming India – Reform to Transform'. An Exhibition on various Priority Programmes of the Government of India was also organized on the theme.

Books released on Civil Services Day, 2016 namely 'The Change Makers' 'Transforming India' & 'Re-creating Excellence' and the documentation of Proceedings shall be shared with the Central/ State Governments' Departments.
